

## MEMORANDUM City Manager's Office

**TO:** Mayor, Vice Mayor and City Commission

**FROM:** A. Jerome Fletcher, City Manager

SUBJECT: American Rescue Plan Act State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Project Change

**DATE:** January 17, 2024

It has been brought to my attention that the \$2 million of American Rescue Plan Act State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (SLFRF) allocated to the Fire Station 81 rebuild project will not be encumbered in time for the December 30, 2024 deadline. While the rebuilding of Fire Station 81 would likely be approved as an SLFRF eligible expense, the program has advertising requirements to be published with the initial request for proposals (RFP) for design and preconstruction. The RFP for design was published in 2019 and the RFP for preconstruction was published in September 2022, prior to Hurricane Ian. After staff review, neither RFP included the necessary federal language to meet the advertising requirements of the SLFRF program.

The SLFRF funding for Fire Station 81 will be reallocated to the next Road Rehabilitation project that can be bid and contracted by the December 30, 2024 deadline and spent prior to the December 30, 2026 deadline. The \$2 million in SLFRF funds currently in the General Fund for Fire Station 81 will be transferred to the Road Rehabilitation project and \$2 million in Road Rehabilitation funds in Surtax will be transferred to the Fire Station 81 project.

If you have any questions or concerns, please let me know.